

Note on “Lock Files”

Solution to a relatively common problem with Cadence:

If you try to open an old file and Cadence says you can't edit the file, it is because this file has become “locked”. This usually happens as a result of Cadence crashing while the file was open.

To unlock the file, you need to search for and remove (using the rm command) a file that ends in “.cdslck”. You will often have to look through directories and subdirectories to find this file, but look at files and directories with the same name as the problematic file.

This command can be used to locate all the lock files, saving you trouble of going manually to each directory to run ls:

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find . -name "*.cdslck"
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Just run it from ~/IC_CAD/cadence/ and it will search all the directories from there down.